

May 5, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, May 5, 2014, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Larry Miller, and James Aikman. Trustee Karen Good arrived just after roll call. Trustees JD Kuhns and Dave Tiffan were absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of April 21, 2014, were approved as presented.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius stated Clean Up Days didn't go as smoothly as planned.

Trustees' Reports

- L. Miller checked on the patcher, and it will be working again by the end of the week.
- T. Clark has fielded questions about the water leak area on the south side of the Aschermann building and the barricades that are still there. L. Miller stated the concrete work should begin tomorrow. T. Clark also asked about drainage after a heavy rain at the gazebo parking lot.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Goodman distributed the monthly report.
- Officer Cody Harley is on patrol on his own now and doing well.
- He will discuss with the Police Committee what to do with the former K9 patrol car.

Village Attorney's Report – None

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Christy Miller and Bill and Jack Singer. C. Miller formally introduced herself as the Arthur Area Tourism Director.

Old Business – None

New Business

- B. Singer made a presentation on behalf of the Moultrie Douglas County Fair Board for a special event liquor license for the beer tent. He requested the license for the same days and times as last year, though it may not be open all of those hours. K. Good made a motion to allow the Fair Board to have the special event liquor license with dates requested with the same restrictions as last year. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 05-05A-14.
- President Bernius reviewed the donation history for the Arthur Rotary Club for the Freedom Celebration and the presentation made at the last meeting. T. Clark made a motion to grant the request from the Arthur Rotary Club for the Freedom Celebration in the amount of \$1,500. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius stated one bid of \$875.01 was received for the 2-ton dump truck. President Bernius suggested rejecting the bid as it's less than scrap value. L. Miller made a motion to reject the bid as less than scrap value and to see if the bidder would pay the estimated scrap value. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius stated there used to be a color printer in his office; however, after a storm, it no longer worked correctly. K. Good made a motion to allow E. Carter to spend up to \$400 for a color printer. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Deputy Clerk Erica Carter presented information about street lighting. The poles and lights are free; the wiring service is about \$10,800. There will be a monthly electricity charge for each light. The number of lights needs to be determined. J. Aikman made a motion to approve the project up to \$10,800 and 10 lights. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- E. Carter stated the utility aggregation program ends in June and reviewed the options and their costs. There was discussion about staying with Integrys or opening it for bids. E. Carter and R. Crossman will do more research. No action was taken.
- Chief Goodman presented information about parking on both sides of Palmer Street during soccer practices and games. He read a letter from a representative from Eberhardt Village requesting permanent No Parking signage from their driveway south

to Route 133 for safety purposes. L. Miller made a motion to place permanent No Parking signs on the west side of West Palmer Street from Eberhardt Village's driveway to Route 133. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance number is 05-05B-14.

- President Bernius stated a resident has had several major water leaks. He reviewed the history. One of the bills was \$6,800. The resident requested an adjustment in February. Randall's also made at least one adjustment. There has been \$16,000 in adjustments including sewer charges at this point. The leaks are on property owner's side. J. Aikman made a motion to adjust the water bill at 413 S. Walnut with a letter sent that no more adjustments will be made and President Bernius will have a conversation with Randall's about adjustments. T. Clark seconded. There was discussion about a paperwork process for adjustments. All Trustees voted YEA.
- No action is needed to appoint the Village Clerk.
- President Bernius appointed T. Clark as Mayor Pro-Tem and presented a list of Committees. They are the same as last year. Finance: T. Clark – Chair, K. Good; Human Resources: K. Good – Chair, D. Tiffan; Police: President Bernius – Chair, J. Aikman, D. Tiffan; Street & Alley: L. Miller – Chair, J. Kuhns; Water & Sewer – J. Kuhns – Chair, L. Miller; Community Relations / Tourism: J. Aikman – Chair, T. Clark.
- President Bernius appointed Robert Crossman as Village Attorney.
- President Bernius appointed Police Chief Mike Goodman as ESDA liaison.
- President Bernius appointed Erica Carter as Village Comptroller / Treasurer.
- President Bernius appointed the State Bank of Arthur as the designated depository.
- President Bernius stated regular meetings will be the first and third Mondays of every month at 7pm in the Community Board Room.
- L. Miller made a motion to approve President Bernius's appointments. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius stated there is a potential buyer for 528 N. Vine, the old Little Joe's Shell property. J. Aikman made a motion to declare the property at 528 N. Vine as excess. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The resolution number is 05-05A-14R.
- K. Good made a motion to enter executive session regarding Village owned property behind the Municipal Building. (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6). The setting of a price for sale or lease of a property owned by the public body. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, L. Miller, and J. Aikman.
- L. Miller made a motion to sell the property behind the Municipal Building to the Cowboy Church for \$10,000. The size is 52' x 172' plus 24' x 20' for an awning on the west side; the Village will do legal descriptions and get the list of requirements (infrastructure, drainage, etc.) from the Village engineer. K. Good seconded. All Trustees and President Bernius voted YEA.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$32,217.76. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:32pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

May 19, 2014